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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director

SUBJECT: Intelligence Support for the Voice of America with regard to Soviet Jamming.

REFERENCE: (a) Ad Hoc Committee Report on Soviet Jamming of the Voice of America

(b) Circular Memorandum of 14 June, transmitting abovementioned Report to the Members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee

1. All members of the Intelligence Advisory Committee have approved of the abovementioned Report, BUT the Navy and the Air Force have submitted comments which change the Report, especially Recommendations 3.

2. Since their "comments" are not official "dissents", will you send them in to the Executive Secretary of the NSC? I think this is a good chance to give up the "frustrating procedure of unanimity" and let these minority reports go to higher authority, along with the blanket approvals of the other IAC members.

3. The Navy, in addition to its comments, recommended that final IAC action be deferred until the results of Admiral Stevens' conference between representatives of the Voice of America and the Director of AFSA are available. Since State is the one so anxious to get out this Report, we might wait a few days to see what arrangements State makes with Navy and Air before taking action. Maybe Armstrong will want an IAC meeting or will needle us to send in the approval with two dissents.

4. The Navy comments are:

a. "Recommendation 3 is not considered sufficiently specific in that it fails to indicate the agency or activity to which the additional facility should be assigned.

b. "It is believed probable that the effect of Soviet jamming has been over-emphasized and that there are intelligence projects which can be undertaken by AFSA and other agencies which will increase the effectiveness of the VOA. Among these measures are determination of areas within the USSR wherein jamming has reduced, or no effect, and inclusion in the interrogation of POW's, DP's, and defectors of requirements which will supply information regarding the effectiveness of the VOA."

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5. The Air Force comments are:

a. "Insertion of new paragraph 3, Recommendations, to read as follows:

'3. That the VOA attempt to penetrate Soviet jamming by increasing the radiating power and the number of stations.'

b. "Renumber present paragraph 3 of Recommendations and amend to read as follows:

'4. That upon failure of the VOA to penetrate Soviet jamming by the methods indicated in paragraph 3, above, or by some other technique, the IAC recommend consideration by NSC of the establishment of an additional monitoring facility, in the light of the limited amount of technical intelligence for VOA which could be obtained (see Conclusion 4 and 5 above) and the probable utility of such a facility in any future intensification of the telecommunication war.'

c. "That paragraph 4 Recommendations be renumbered as paragraph 5."

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